

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Literature Selection Technical Review Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human Services

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Literature Selection Technical Review Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

910

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

11/01/1997

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Authorized by Law

12. Specific Establishment Authority

42 U.S.C. 282(b)(16)

13. Effective Date

11/04/1985

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 3 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 3

Purpose

Journal Review

Start

10/26/2017

End

- 10/27/2017

Journal Review

02/22/2018

- 02/23/2018

Journal Review

06/21/2018

- 06/22/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$22,200.00	\$22,200.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$72,187.00	\$73,559.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$56,214.00	\$56,691.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$1,200.00	\$1,224.00

18d. Total	\$151,801.00	\$153,674.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.50	0.50

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee examines recently published biomedical journals and recommends those that should be indexed by the National Library of Medicine (NLM). In conjunction with professional and scientific societies, it also reviews titles in subject fields to ensure that NLM is indexing those journals most useful to biomedical researchers, practitioners, and educators. The Committee reviewed a total of 470 journals in FY 2018 with scores high enough to be indexed, and 52 were recommended for publication in Medline.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Committee consists of members who are knowledgeable in the fields of microbiology, anatomy and neurology, basic sciences, cardiology, dentistry, obstetrics and gynecology, internal medicine, library science, molecular biology, nursing, psychiatry, pulmonary medicine, physical and rehabilitation medicine, and anesthesiology, whose judgments provide the basis on which journal selection decisions are made.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Three meetings were held during FY 2018, on October 26-27, 2017, February 22-23, 2018, and June 21-22, 2018. The Committee will hold three meetings in FY 2019 to examine new titles and review various subject areas.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Hundreds of biomedical journals are published each year; most want to be indexed by the National Library of Medicine. It is important to have an impartial committee which is composed of experts in biomedical and behavioral fields and scientific writing to advise the Library on which journals should be indexed to provide accurate, useful research and clinical information, ensuring adequate geographic and subject representation. There is no other NIH group that can provide this impartial and scientific review.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The meetings of the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee were partially closed to the public for the review and discussion of individual journals for potential inclusion in the NLM publications database. The presence of individuals associated with individual journals could hinder fair and open discussion and evaluation by Committee members, and the meetings were, therefore, partially closed under Section 552(c)(9)(B) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

21. Remarks

Committee Function: Other - Journal Review. URL: This committee does not have a dedicated website. The Committee Decision Maker and Designated Federal Official are the same individual based on assigned duties within NLM. Reports: This committee did not produce any reports.

Designated Federal Officer

JOYCE BACKUS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, LIBRARY OPERATIONS, NLM

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
BALASUBRAMANIAM, SANJEEVE	07/01/2015	06/30/2019	MEDICAL OFFICER	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
CONTE, MARISA	07/01/2015	06/30/2019	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CORSI, KAREN	07/01/2014	06/30/2018	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DIPIETRO, LUISA	07/01/2018	06/30/2022	PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
GODOY-VITORINO, FILIPA	07/01/2015	06/30/2019	RESEARCH PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
GREENLAND, KRISTEN	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	SCIENCE LIBRARIAN	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
HAENDEL, MELISSA	07/01/2017	06/30/2021	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
HODGE, FELICIA	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
KALET, ADINA	07/01/2015	06/30/2019	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LEMAIRE, SCOTT	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LIN, DINGBO	07/01/2018	06/30/2022	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LOUIE, ALAN	07/01/2018	06/30/2022	PROFESSOR, ASSOCIATE CHAIR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LOWE, NANCY	07/01/2018	06/30/2022	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
NWOMEH, BENEDICT	07/01/2014	06/30/2018	ATTENDING SURGEON, PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
PAINTSIL, ELIJAH	07/01/2017	06/30/2021	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
YATES, BILL	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
YOSHIMURA, MASAMI	07/01/2014	06/30/2018	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
YOUNG, KAREN	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	CLINICAL PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 18

Narrative Description

The Literature Selection Technical Advisory Committee supports the agency's mission by

advising on matters of policy relating to the evaluation and recommendation of biomedical publications to be considered for indexing and inclusion in MEDLINE and Index Medicus. The Committee meets its mission as judged by the quality of journals recommended for inclusion in MEDLINE and by the steady growth in access of the database. The Committee advises on emerging fields of medicine and tries to improve the representation of journals from underrepresented geographic areas.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

Journal review for indexing in MEDLINE and Index Medicus.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee

for the life of the committee?

1,674

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Committee has reviewed a total of 470 journals in FY 2018 with scores high enough to be indexed, and 52 were recommended for publication in Medline.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

100%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

NLM has implemented all recommendations made by the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee in that all journals recommended have been indexed in the MEDLINE database.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

There are no journals that are partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Reports are given at each committee meeting by the Director, NLM, and the Executive Editor, MEDLINE, covering actions taken that result from committee advice.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other



Action Comments

Based on number of journals indexed and possible addition of resources to handle additional workload.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO



Online Agency Web Site



Online Committee Web Site



Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



Access Comments

Contact the National Library of Medicine Committee Management Office.